City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 26, 2010

TO: MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

FROM: YON LAMBERT, PRINCIPAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNER, T&ES

SUBJECT: COMPLETE STREETS

This memorandum provides an update to Commissioners on the status of the City's Complete Streets program.

In January 2010, the Transportation Commission created a subcommittee to investigate adoption of a formal Complete Streets policy for the City of Alexandria. The members of the subcommittee are Jayme Blakesley and Kevin Posey. At meetings on March 25 and April 7, the subcommittee reviewed options for a resolution for future consideration by City Council. The subcommittee also discussed the possibility of having the Transportation Commission receive an annual "after-action" report from T&ES staff on maintenance and CIP projects that affect transportation and implementation of Complete Streets. The subcommittee ultimately determined that an ordinance is preferable to a resolution and instructed staff to consider comments as received by citizens via email and during previous Commission meetings.

A second draft of a Complete Streets ordinance will be provided in hard copy format at the June 2, 2010 meeting. A DRAFT ordinance will be available on the Commission website (http://alexandriava.gov/TransportationCommission) immediately after the June meeting.

Staff proposes to accept public comment on the DRAFT ordinance through June 23. This will provide time for citizen input and allow staff to make final changes prior to the next Transportation Commission meeting on July 7, 2010. At this time, the Commission will consider adoption of a final ordinance and recommend it to City Council for future adoption by Council.